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MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR:  
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Dear RC42 Members,

I hope this message finds you well and happily preparing yourself for the coming holiday season.

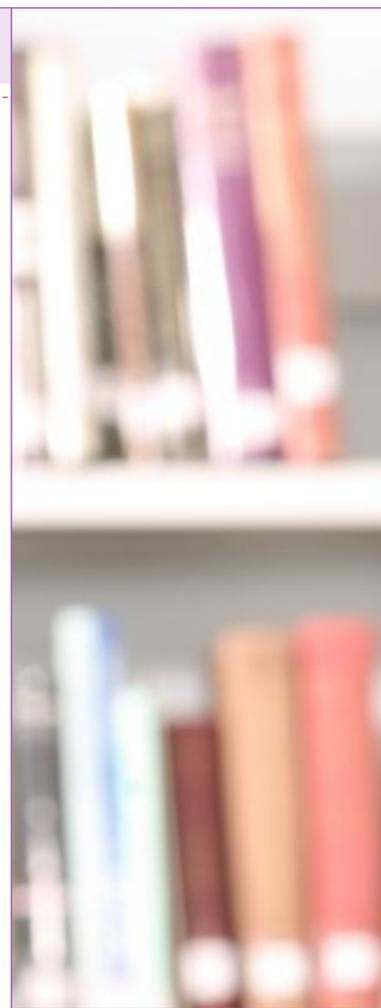
I would first like to share with you some of my experiences from the Forum in Vienna (2016).

Besides the hot weather during the Forum in Vienna, which was beyond the control of the organizers, the conference venue was ideal. Vienna is one of the most beautiful cities in the world, an astonishing city with a magnificent past and a dynamic present that include exciting attractions such as grand palaces and architecture, museums, classical music tradition and gourmet classic cafes.

But most important - our RC42 offered a varied, thrilling and high-quality program of sessions. Its contents included themes such as gender stereotypes in education, economic inequality and political outcomes, factorial surveys, transition and identity, emotion and inequalities, group processes, and cooperation & trust. The program attracted RC42 participants but also many participants from other RCs. As a result, the majority of sessions were very well attended (in spite of the terrible heat in the classrooms...). The program also included a Roundtable on different facets of inequality. Interestingly, this framework attracted a large audience of PhD students and young scholars who presented or (more on next page)

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participated in it. We learned from this positive experience and surely will try to find the way to actively integrate this young generation into our RC42 (e.g. preparing special activities at the next ISA meeting in Toronto, student awards, travel allowances and so on).

The program also included two plenary talks: The first was held by Karen A. Hegtvedt on "Doing Justice beyond Social Psychology." The second talk, entitled "A Social Psychological Perspective on the Future We Want", was held by Jan E. Stets who was our RC42 representative at the ISA Common Sessions.

## **RC42 Business**

The following changes in RC42 procedures were recommended by the RC42 Executive Board Members at their meeting, Forum in Vienna, 2016.

The meeting participants were Alison Bianchi (Secretary-Treasurer), Guillermina Jasso (Past President), Charles Puttergill (Regional Representative for Africa), Juan Carlos Castillo (Regional Representative for South America) and Clara Sabbagh (President).

The rationale behind this rise is to increase membership and support future RC42 benefits (e.g. travel grants for students,) and activities (e.g. inviting special guests speakers; finance a RC42 award for best sociological - social psychological paper and/or conduct a survey among members about their interests and ideas); recruitment of a younger generation of members.

Recommended Membership Dues:

1. Regular members: \$25 (four years, Categories A and B) and \$15 (four years, Category C).
2. Student: \$10 (four years, Categories A, B, C)

In addition: Active participation in RC42 activities (e.g. Session Chairs, Paper Presenter and Discussants) is contingent on RC42 Membership. In cases in which paper is coauthored, at least one coauthor must be a RC42 Member.

The above recommendations were brought by the Board for decision at the RC42 Business Meeting at the Forum in Vienna, 2106. About 7 RC42 Members were present at the meeting.

All recommendations were discussed and unanimously accepted.

Truly yours,

Clara Sabbagh, RC42 President

## SECTION SUPERSTARS! AWARDS OF NOTE!



Leonidas Cheliotis, Assistant Professor of Criminology at the Department of Social Policy, London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE), has won the Adam Podgórecki Prize for 2016. The prize is awarded biannually by the International Sociological Association's Research Committee on Sociology of Law (RC12) 'for outstanding achievements in socio-legal research' within ten years following completion of a doctorate degree. Prof. Cheliotis won the prize for his published work in the sociology and social psychology of crime and punishment. He was presented with the prize at an award ceremony during the International Sociological Association's third quadrennial Forum in Vienna, Austria. [Link: [http://rcsl.iscte.pt/rcsl\\_apodgpr16.htm](http://rcsl.iscte.pt/rcsl_apodgpr16.htm)] Prof. Cheliotis was also a keynote speaker at the 3rd CINETS (Crimmigration Control International Network of Studies) conference, which took place at the University of Maryland in College Park on 6-7 October. His keynote was entitled 'Europe on Trial: Making Sense of State Violence against Irregular Migrants and Refugees', and drew on his ongoing research on the criminalisation of migration in Southern Europe.

Three members of RC42 are members of the team that submitted one of the two rotating modules selected for Round 9 of the European Social Survey (ESS-9). They are Stefan Liebig (Principal Investigator), Guillermina Jasso, and Clara Sabagh. The module is titled "Justice and Fairness in Europe: Coping with Growing Inequalities and Heterogeneities." For further information, see [http://www.europeansocialsurvey.org/methodology/questionnaire/ESS9\\_rotating\\_modules.html](http://www.europeansocialsurvey.org/methodology/questionnaire/ESS9_rotating_modules.html).

# Upcoming Conferences

## IN PARIS, FRANCE:

### ICSSP 2016: 18th International Conference on Sociological Social Psychology

#### Aims and Objectives:

The ICSSP 2016: 18th International Conference on Sociological Social Psychology aims to bring together leading academic scientists, researchers and research scholars to exchange and share their experiences and research results about all aspects of Sociological Social Psychology. It also provides the premier interdisciplinary forum for researchers, practitioners and educators to present and discuss the most recent innovations, trends, and concerns, practical challenges encountered and the solutions adopted in the field of Sociological Social Psychology.

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Conference webpage: <https://www.waset.org/conference/2016/11/paris/ICSSP/home>

## IN SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA:

### 1st International Conference on Contemporary Historical Approaches to Emotions

#### Aims and Objectives:

The conference will bring together researchers working in the area of emotions in contemporary and historical societies from a range of disciplines for the first time in Australia. It will feature “keynote panels” to showcase cutting-edge research on emotions in sociology, history, cultural studies, education, and social policy and development.

Date: December 5-7, 2016

Location: UOW Sydney CDB Campus, 1 Macquarie Place, Circular Quay

Conference webpage: [http://www.uowblogs.com/cern/2016/10/20/conference-flyer/flyer\\_cern-conference\\_5-7december-2/](http://www.uowblogs.com/cern/2016/10/20/conference-flyer/flyer_cern-conference_5-7december-2/)



# Journal News

Nathan Manning from the emotion section of the European Sociological Association sent around the following that might also be of interest to social psych folks in the ISA:

"I am writing to ask you to complete a quick questionnaire to help support the case for a new proposed journal of *Emotions and Society*. The proposed journal has been developed by Mary Holmes (University of Edinburgh), Åsa Wettergren (University of Gothenburg), Jochen Kleres (Scuola Normale Superiore) and Nathan Manning (University of York) and is currently with Taylor & Francis.

The central purpose of this journal will be to function as the leading centre of scholarly debate and exchange of knowledge in the field of the sociology of emotions with a heedful eye on developments in neighbouring disciplines, especially cultural studies, history, philosophy and psychology. A key feature of the journal will be to develop both a uniquely sociological perspective on emotions while and through engaging in interdisciplinary exchanges.

Your responses will assist the team in building a robust case for a journal which meets our needs.

The questionnaire can be found using this link -

[https://york.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV\\_6JCwhpcs3tHuwX](https://york.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_6JCwhpcs3tHuwX)

Please feel free to distribute the link to others outside this group who may be interested in such a journal."

## Special issue: International Journal of Sociology



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### **Call for Papers: Fundamental Questions: Analyzing micro-interactional processes in social psychology and group processes from a multi-level of analyses and cross-cultural perspective**

#### **International Journal of Sociology 47/4**

By focusing on interactional-level processes, theoretical research programs in social psychology and group processes are uniquely positioned in their ability to span the divide between multiple levels of analysis. Different streams of research in sociological social psychology have focused their energies around uncovering the generalized mechanisms that undergird fundamental social processes. However, the focus on examining general processes sometimes comes at the cost of not examining how unique contextual, social structural, or cultural forces may influence the manner in which these general processes play out in interpersonal interactions.

This special issue will focus around different ways that “fundamental micro-interactional processes” can be examined comparatively. Examples of fundamental processes include, but are not limited to the creation and spread of status hierarchies, the structural sources of power, trust, and legitimacy, the processual precursors of group cohesion and attachment, the interactive formation of social identities, and the role of emotional meanings in social interaction. At heart, this issue plans to explore questions of how different interpersonal social psychological processes may change across various realms of difference, such as different levels of analysis, contexts, social structures, or cultures. It seeks to bring together a mixture of social psychological studies that highlight a comparative examination of fundamental social processes. As such, we invite contributors to submit articles that directly examine how fundamental social processes may vary in theoretically and empirically innovative ways. If interested in contributing, please send a brief abstract to Prof. Lynn Chin for an initial review. Selected authors will be invited to submit a full paper.

Timeline: (May be adjusted, but accepted papers must be at the publisher by August)

First version due: Mid February-Early March 2017.

Feedback to authors: Mid-May-Early June 2017

Final version due: Early August 2017

Publication: Fall 2017

The *International Journal of Sociology (IJS)* is a quarterly peer-reviewed academic journal with a focus on cross-national and comparative scholarship in sociology. It was established 1971 by M.E. Sharpe and is currently published by Taylor & Francis.



The International Journal of Sociology is indexed/abstracted in: Association for Asian Studies; Bibliography of Asian Studies; De Gruyter Saur; Dietrich's Index Philosophicus; IBZ - Internationale Bibliographie der Geistes- und Sozialwissenschaftlichen Zeitschriftenliteratur; Internationale Bibliographie der Rezensionen Geistes- und Sozialwissenschaftlicher Literatur; EBSCOhost; Academic Search Complete; Business Source Corporate; Communication & Mass Media Complete; Current Abstracts; FRANCIS; Political Science Complete; Public Affairs Index; Russian Academy of Sciences Bibliographies; SocINDEX; TOC Premier; E-psyche; Gale; Academic OneFile; Criminal Justice Collection; Expanded Academic ASAP; General OneFile; InfoTrac Custom; Psychology Collection; H.W. Wilson; Social Sciences Index; National Library of Medicine; PubMed; OCLC; ArticleFirst; CSA Sociological Abstracts; Electronic Collections Online; ProQuest; CSA Social Services Abstracts; Environmental Sciences and Pollution Management; FRANCIS; PAIS International; Periodicals Index Online; Risk Abstracts; Worldwide Political Science Abstracts; Taylor & Francis; Educational Research Abstracts Online; and Studies on Women and Gender Abstracts.

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## Fellowships

Dear RC42 researcher,

12 to 15 AIAS-COFUND Marie Curie fellowships are available at the Aarhus Institute of Advanced Studies, AIAS, for talented junior and senior researchers from all academic disciplines within this fourth Call for Applications.

The application deadline is **3 February 2017**. Commencement date: 1 October 2017 and 1 February 2018. Read about the fellowship programme, the Guide for Applicants, and AIAS on our website:

[www.aias.au.dk](http://www.aias.au.dk)  
<http://aias.au.dk/aias-fellowships/aias-cofund-fellowships/>

We hope that you will find the call of interest, and you are welcome to forward the call to other high-level researchers in your network.

Kind regards,

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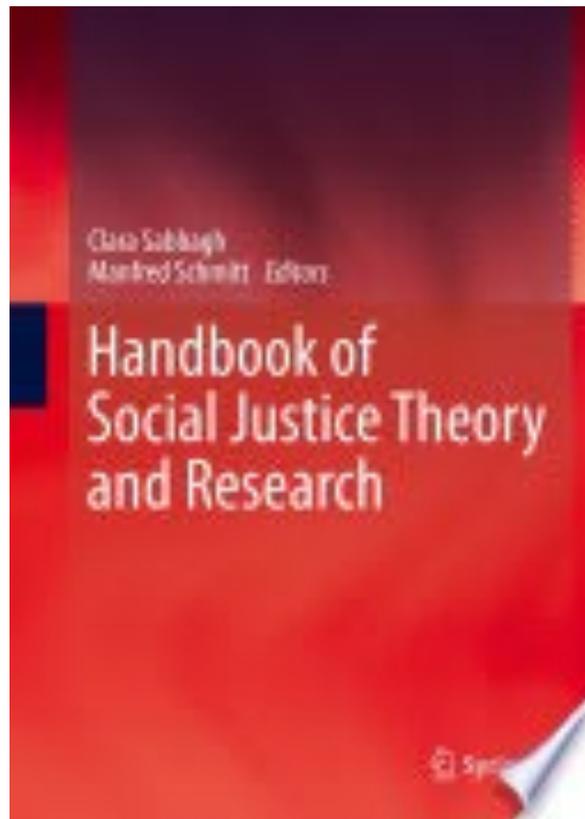
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# Books in Social Psychology



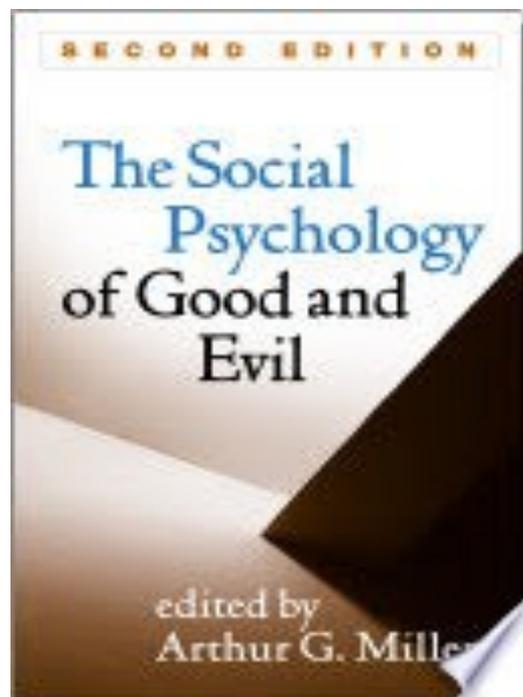
**Sabbagh, C. & Schmitt, M. (Eds.) (2016). *Handbook of Social Justice Theory and Research*. New York: Springer.**

This handbook substantiates the academic legacy of the International Society for Justice Research (ISJR) in the field of justice theory and research. Included are themes and topics such as the theory of the justice motive, the mapping of the multifaceted forms of justice (distributive, procedural) and justice in context-bound spheres (e.g. non-humans). It presents a comprehensive "state of the art" overview in the field of justice research theory and it puts forth an agenda for future interdisciplinary and international justice research. It is worth noting that authors in this proposed volume represent ISJR's leading scholarship. Thus, the compilation of their research within a single framework exposes potential readers to high quality academic work that embodies the past, current and future trends of justice research.

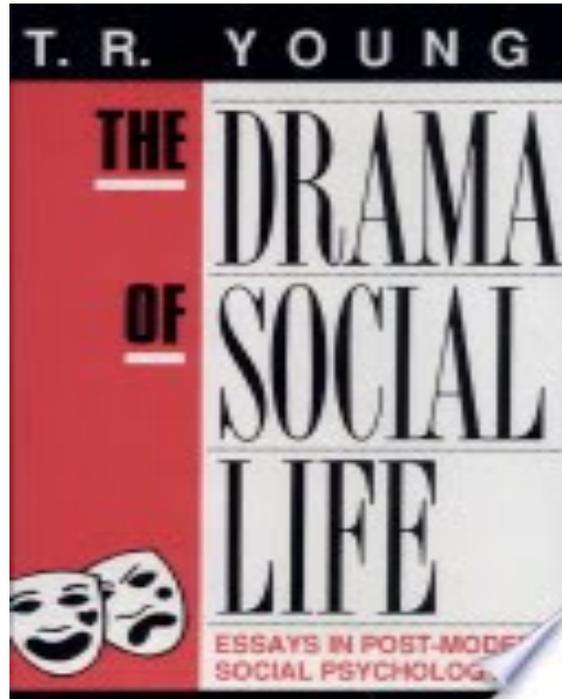
## Books in Social Psychology

**Miller, Arthur G. (Ed.) 2016. *The Social Psychology of Good and Evil*. New York: The Guildford Press.**

This timely, accessible reference and text addresses some of the most fundamental questions about human behavior, such as what causes racism and prejudice and why good people do bad things. Leading authorities present state-of-the-science theoretical and empirical work. Essential themes include the complex interaction of individual, societal, and situational factors underpinning good or evil behavior; the role of moral emotions, unconscious bias, and the self-concept; issues of responsibility and motivation; and how technology and globalization have enabled newer forms of threat and harm.



# Books in Social Psychology



**Young, T. R. (2016) *The Drama of Social Life: Essays in Post-Modern Social Psychology*. New Brunswick and London: Transaction Publishers.**

These essays explore the many ways theatre and dramaturgy are used to shape the everyday experience of people in mass societies. Young argues that technologies combine with the world of art, music, and cinema to shape consciousness as a commodity and to fragment social relations in the market as well as in religion and politics. He sees the central problem of post-modern society as how to live in a world constructed by human beings without nihilism on the one hand or repressive dogmatism on the other.

Young argues that in advanced monopoly capitalism, dramaturgy has replaced coercion as the management tool of choice for the control of consumers, workers, voters and state functionaries. Young calls this process the colonization of desire.' Desire is colonized by the use of dramaturgy, mass media, and the various forms of art in order to generate consumers, vesting desire in ownership and display rather than in interpersonal relationships with profound consequence for marriage, kinship, friendship and community. This gives rise to an ugly post-modern morality; moral action ceases to be mediated by self-other relations and is mediated by possession and use of commodities. While Young focuses his critique on capitalist societies undergoing great changes, he insists that the same developments are to be found in bureaucratically organized socialist societies.

As social forces of self become untenable, other nonsocial source of self become attractive to the questing individual: body shape, body decorations, clothing fashions, astrological signs, Eastern religions as well as ownership of goods and the use of exotic services. Out of this quest for selfhood comes post-modern expression of music, art, dance, architecture as well as religion: highly variable, highly personal, and richly creative; often emancipatory but often hostile to common needs or to community.

*The Drama of Social Life* will be of interest to those interested in theories of moral development, cultural studies, the uses of leisure, politics, or simply the uses of make believe and just pretend. It is intended for the informed lay public as much as for social psychologists.

## FROM THE NEWSLETTER EDITOR

### INTERNATIONAL SOCIOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION:

The ISA was founded in 1949 under the auspices of UNESCO. The goal of the ISA is to represent sociologists everywhere, regardless of their school of thought, scientific approaches or ideological opinion, and to advance sociological knowledge throughout the world. Its members come from 126 countries.

### RESEARCH COMMITTEE ON

### SOCIAL PSYCHOLOGY

(RC 42)

The aim of RC42 is to contribute to the development of theory and research in social psychology on an international level, uniting professional and scientific interests of its members to work together on a local, regional, and international level.

Greetings, Illustrious Members of RC 42!

It is my pleasure to present our second newsletter edition!

Periodically, we will call for any contributions, such as:

1. Upcoming conferences, calls for papers or grant opportunities.
2. Reviews of conferences that would be of interest to RC42 members.
3. Reviews (up to 400 words) and recommendations of notable social psychological related books. In the case of recommendations, please write some words about the significance of the title.
4. Congratulatory notes, including: announcements of promotions, new positions, awards, honors, grants and other achievements.
5. Recent activities (publications, presentations) that may be of interest to the social psychological community.
6. Submissions about social psychological projects in progress that may be of interest to the justice community (up to 250 words).
7. Nominations of doctoral candidates (self nominations are also welcomed who are willing to present their studies to the wider social psychological community (up to 300 words).
8. Submission of social psychological teaching materials (e.g. films, activities and syllabi) for both graduate and undergraduate levels. Please write some words about the ways this material has been useful in your teaching.

Please note that due to space issues, we are no longer accepting full length articles!!!

However, feel free to send me anything having to do with International Social Psychology at any time! My e-mail address is: [alison-bianchi@uiowa.edu](mailto:alison-bianchi@uiowa.edu).

Happy Winter Break to All!!! Hope to see you in Toronto!!



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